

IS IT WELL WITH THEE?

By BILLY SUNDAY

(Excerpts from a sermon Preached in Omaha in 1915)

"Is it well with thee? is it well with thy husband? is it well with thy child?"—II Kings 4:26.

Fifty-three miles north of Jerusalem, eight miles from Tabor and four miles from Jezreel, there once stood the famous and unfortunate city of Shunam, situated in one of the most beautiful spots on the globe, an ideal place for an ideal home, and in that city there was such a home, presided over by one of the famous women of antiquity.

Elisha the prophet used to pass this home on his way to Mount Carmel and back again to the schools of the prophets at Jericho, of which he was the head. There was something in his actions that led this woman to conclude that he was a man of God, for she said one day to her husband: "I perceive that this is an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually."

Women are of keener perception when it comes to things spiritually and morally than men are.

Felt They Were Losing Much

She felt they were losing much. She wanted all the benefits that could accrue to her or her child by associating with a man who walked close with God. She said to her husband: "Let's build him a little room and place therein a bed, a stool, a pitcher and a candlestick that he can ever afterwards call that his home."

The suggestion evidently met with the approval of the husband, for they did it, and ever afterwards the man of God, tired and worn on his journey, had a resting place, and he made that his home.

There was in that family an only child. I can see him out in the field with the reapers, where his father was. The hot sun of the oriental country beat down on his head and the boy threw his hands to his head and

cried: "My head! My head! My head!"

The father said to the servants: "Carry him to his mother." And they bore him to the house. He sat upon his mother's knees until noon, and then died.

Went to Man of God

Brokenhearted, she carried him upstairs and laid him upon the bed of the man of God. Then turning to the young men, her servants, she said: "Saddle me a beast and drive on."

Down yonder at Mount Carmel was the man of God who, she believed, had power to bring to life the dead child. They went on and Elisha looked down the road and saw them coming. He said to Gehazi, who was sort of a private secretary: "Yonder comes

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DRUNKENNESS AND WHAT IT DOES

God Forbids It!

Ephesians 5:18. "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit."

Christ Cautions Against It!

Luke 21:34. "And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares."

It Is a Work of the Flesh!

Galatians 5:21. "Envyings murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

It Is Debasing!

Isaiah 28:7. "But they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment."

It Takes Away the Heart!

Hosea 4:11. "Whoredom and wine and the new wine take away the heart."

It Insures Poverty!

Ezekiel 31:17; 23:21. "He that

loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich. For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags."

It Leads to Strife!

Proverbs 23:29-31. "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright."

It Leads to Scorning!

Hosea 7:5. "In the day of our king and princess have made him sick with bottles of wine; he stretched out his hand with scorn."

It Leads to Rioting and Wantonness!

Romans 13:13. "Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying."

Should We Avoid Those Given to It?

I Corinthians 5:11: "But now (Continued on Page 5)

The Value of a Soul and the Danger of Losing It

By the Late Dr. L. R. SCARBOROUGH

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"For whosoever would save his life shall lose it, and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it."—Matt. 16:26.

That is a Scriptural paradox. Whosoever shall save his life shall lose it. That is, the selfish man will not be able to save himself. The most miserable, unhappy life is the selfish life. "Whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it." The unselfish life is the happiest life. Jesus Christ came into the world to establish the doctrine of unselfishness. And if you will lose your life for Christ's sake you will find it in the greatest possible fashion.

I talked not long ago to a great cotton man. He had made a fortune. He is a very fine Christian gentleman. He was the first man who, as I lead the Seventy-five Million Campaign for Baptists in the South, telegraphed me that he would give \$100,000 to the Campaign. He said, "Not long ago I had to have an operation. The doctors said it was a serious one. I went to the hospital and they prepared me for the operation! My pastor came and held my hand while they applied the anesthetic. As I lay there on the operating table, I thought of some things and forgot many other things. I did not know whether I would come off that table alive or not; but the things I thought of and the things that seemed best to me then were the things that I had done for others. I forgot the bank I had built; I forgot the corporation I had formed and successfully operated, the money I had invested in this and that and the other thing; but, at that trying hour, that testing hour I thought of the money I had spent in educating poor boys and girls, the money I had put into churches and schools and hospitals and orphanages and for missions. I forgot the money I had spent for my family and my pleasure and my luxuries. Then in that hour I blessed God that I had laid up some treasures 'where moth and rust doth not corrupt, nor thieves break through and steal.'"

My friends, if you want to save your life, save it in the service of God, "For what shall a man be profited if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul, or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

I want to speak to you tonight about the value of the soul. I know there are many forms of

investments. I know there is a form of investment in money that brings a large return and pays a good dividend. I know that there is an investment in the mental life that brings a good return on that investment. I was thinking the other day of that old bachelor uncle of David Lloyd George, who by his simple preaching of the Gospel and his trade as a cobbler—a shoemaker—saved up a little money; and when Mrs. George's husband, the father of David Lloyd George, died, this bachelor uncle of this boy, brother of the father of David Lloyd George, sent for the widow and children and took care of them, and put David Lloyd George through the public schools and then took the money that he had saved and invested it in the education of this young man. That man is still living. He said the other day that the best investment he ever made was the investment he made in the brain and education of his nephew. And today that man is probably the greatest man on earth, a great democrat,



Dr. L. R. Scarborough

a consistent member of the simplest and yet one of the strictest and freest Baptist churches in the city of London. He holds in his hands more power than any other man in this world. (Written soon after World War I Edition).

There is an investment in intellectual life that brings a large return; but I tell you the largest investment you can make in this world is the investment in souls, in spiritual life, in spiritual power. Our Saviour in this Scripture pro-

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Substituting Karl Marx for Jesus Christ

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Good evening, everybody.

The Cattanooga News-Free Press carried an editorial on March 29th entitled, "Church Pinks Out on Limb," which spoke of the fifth column in the Federal Council of Churches. The editorial then observed that, with the turn of events in international relations, the pro-communist propaganda inside the church is in a place to be effectively exposed, and it concluded by saying, "Somebody ought to get the saw out and go to work on that limb."

I do not believe that the Chris-

tian people of America want to see our free society, our free economic order, destroyed, and a controlled, planned, socialistic order put in its place. I do not believe that Christians want the Lord's money which should be used for the preaching of the Gospel to be used for the spreading of socialism.

Frederick Woltman, the Scripps-Howard reporter who won the Pulitzer Prize for exposing communism last year, has recently exposed Jerome Davis, a Meth-

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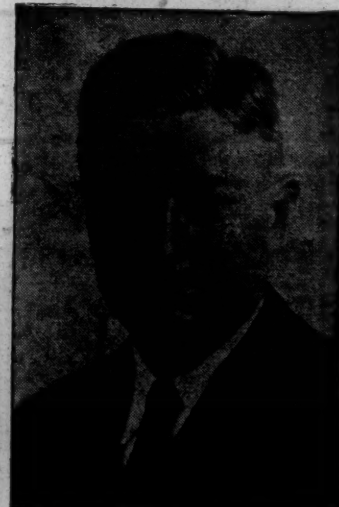
The Problems of Fellowship Between Pentecostal Groups and Other Christians

By EVANGELIST JOHN R. RICE

Probably Bible believers everywhere should seek to have happy Christian fellowship with Christians of the Pentecostal movement or those sometimes called "tongues" people. Let us thank God that they believe in the fundamentals of the faith. Let us be grateful that God has blessed their work in evangelism and that their churches have multiplied rapidly. Let us thank God for their em-

phasis that God answers prayer, their tendency to take the Bible literally, their willingness to go to any extreme measures to serve the Lord. Let us particularly be grateful to God for their emphasis on the fact that every Christian needs the power of the Holy Spirit upon him, a special endue-

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ment to enable him to win souls.

It is a matter of real joy to me that several Pentecostal groups, including the largest one, the Assemblies of God, cooperate with the National Association of Evangelicals. In union revival campaigns I have found that Assemblies of God usually are glad to participate, they are modest and sincere in their cooperation and do not seek to dominate the situation more than others. They are happy to hear plain Bible preaching against sin, clear teaching on consecration and separation and prayer. They are glad to join in prayer. They have a genuine contribution to make to any fellowship of Christians.

On the part of Pentecostal groups there is also a duty if they are to have pleasant and genuine Christian fellowship with other devoted Christians. Some Pentecostal groups have a tendency to set themselves up as better than other devoted Christians. Some are very frank to say that no matter how many souls one wins, how holy and blameless his life, how powerful his testimony for Jesus Christ, that he is not filled with the Spirit unless he talks in tongues after the fashion of their own denomination. When one sets out to say that all the great soul winners were not good Christians, not filled with God's Spirit, he naturally causes offense. Here is some Christian who, simply because he talks in tongues but never won a single soul to Christ, thinks he has something better than D. L. Moody ever had, or R. A. Torrey, or J. Wilbur Chapman, or Charles G. Finney, because they did not talk in tongues! My Pentecostal friends will forgive us if we say frankly that this appears to be a sinful pride. Many, many times we have been accosted by people who did not know a fraction as much Scripture as we know, who did not weep over sinners as we do, who do not have the fruit in soul-winning results, God, in mercy, had given us, who have not suffered for the Lord Jesus as we have, tell us that they were filled with the Spirit and we were not, that they were better Christians

than we were, because they spoke in tongues and we did not! Such a "holier-than-thou" attitude, of course, disrupts Christian fellowship.

Here is a difficult problem for those who honestly believe that speaking in tongues is the Bible evidence of the fullness of the Holy Spirit. They must face it. But as they face it they must remember that God expects good Christians to prove their spiritual maturity by loving other Christians and having fellowship with other Christians. To be filled with the Holy Spirit is tremendously important. But to boast about it is not important, certainly. And if one believes that he is filled with the Holy Spirit but never wins as many souls as someone else, and shows no evidence that he loves the Lord and the Bible as much as someone else, then surely Christian modesty should prevent him from making an issue of his alleged superiority. There cannot be the happy fellowship and cooperation between those of the tongues movement and other fundamental Christians that there ought to be unless each group is prepared to give honor to those who are holy in life and fervent in spirit, serving the Lord and fruitful, with the power of God upon them. It is not too much to ask of any Christian that he should remember the Scriptural command, "In honour preferring one another" (Rom. 12:10). And another command is, "Let each esteem other better than themselves" (Phil. 2:3). No one proves that he is filled with the Holy Spirit by boasting about how much better he is than someone else who loves the Lord as much, labours as hard, suffers as much, lives as sacrificially and wins as many souls as himself.

I say that there are genuine problems for each side to face in close Christian fellowship between those who believe in speaking in tongues as the Bible evidence of the fullness of the Spirit and other Christians. And yet that fellowship is clearly commanded and taught in the Word of God.

The psalmist says in Psalm 119:63, "I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts." And if we are to have the wonderful power of God come upon His people to bring great revivals, such as we need, then we must come back to the same kind of brotherly love and fellowship which prevailed before Pentecost (Acts 1:14), at Pentecost (Acts 2:1), and after Pentecost (Acts 2:46; Acts 4:24). They were "of one accord" as they prayed before Pentecost. They were "all with one accord in one place" when the power of God came mightily upon them at Pentecost. They continued daily "with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart." They were even united when they prayed—"they lifted up their voice to God with one accord." So fellowship of all God's people who believe His Word, who are saved by His blood, who are concerned about carrying out His Great Commission, who long to be filled with His power, is of desperate importance. Those who want God's fullness of power and His outpouring in great revivals, must get together in fellowship in mind and heart.

Helpful Comments Invited

We would like to have frank counsel and comment on this article, "The Problems of Fellowship Between Pentecostal Groups and Other Christians," from godly leaders of Pentecostal faith. Comments will be regarded as strictly confidential if desired. We honestly want to improve the fellowship between those who believe that speaking in tongues is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Spirit, and other Spirit-filled and soul-winning people. Address the editor, Evangelist John R. Rice, 214 West Wesley Street, Wheaton, Illinois.

Editor Goes Abroad---on Film!

By EVANGELIST BILL RICE
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Films Being Shown in Seven Foreign Countries

We have just received word from the C. O. Baptista Company that "The Dying Thief," a sermon on sound film, by my brother, Dr. John R. Rice, has been shipped to seven foreign countries. These countries are: South Africa, New Zealand, Australia, Japan, Rhodesia, Alaska and Canada. We believe we will soon be hearing of happy conversions from all these nations. Some have been reported saved in Japan already, and many in the United States.

Film Evangelist Wins 50!



And we are hearing of still others who have been saved here in the United States. Mr. H. J. Hemminger, who represents us in the Cleveland, Ohio, area tells of two more conversions through the films. One paragraph of a letter I received today has certainly started my heart to singing. Just read this:

"Mrs. Hemminger and I are

having a wonderful time in this, our new ministry with the Gospel films. Our first meeting was December 5, 1948, and we have already seen fifty souls come to the Lord and we praise HIS holy name for it."

This man, with no theological training whatsoever, has already won fifty to Christ, making his own engagements, in just about a month-and-a-half!

Widespread Interest in Extension Department

Almost daily our mail brings word that pastors, evangelists and laymen are interested in helping the work of the newly established Extension Department.

A godly dentist, and President of the Pocket Testament Institute of Washington, D. C., Dr. Walter A. Leas, writes to say he has included "The Dying Thief," in his film library and offers to help us spread the gospel through the film.

A preacher of long usefulness in Oregon writes, "After thirty years of service on the firing line I can still hear the Captain's orders." He goes on to volunteer to serve on our staff.

And others have written, too, to tell us they are praying for us in this gospel ministry that should result in the conversion of literally thousands. As earnestly as I know how I beg that those who read this will pray for this new evangelistic venture.

Doubtless many of you would like a film evangelist to come to your church. If so, please write me for information. I will answer promptly.

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pounds that question, and I think it is a pertinent question to ask of the great congregation before me tonight. There is scarcely a man or a woman who hears me speak tonight but who in the last year or two has not planned or thought of getting rich or making an investment—of a small amount, probably—but for a large return. There have been few of you who have not wanted lands or leases or royalties in some of these oil fields. You have hoped and prayed that you would make an investment that would strike lucky, and you would have a fortune. Some of you have gained a fortune.

The Value of the Soul

I wonder if you realize the value of the soul, the value of the spiritual matters. God says, "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" What shall it profit him if in the gaining of it he shall lose his own soul? Here are some great words God uses. He uses the word "world" and the words "whole world." Suppose a man gain the whole world. Some men have spent their lives in gaining wealth. Suppose a man were to gain all the wealth of the world, the funds of the Rothschilds, the Rockefellers, the Goulds, the Fords, and so on and so on, and had a title to all the lands and all the gold and all the bonds and all that is of value in this world. Jesus Christ says if he had it all and in the gaining of it lost his soul he would have driven a bad bargain. There are some men who give their time to gaining honor and fame and renown, some in war, some in statesmanship, some in politics, some in literature, some in science, some in education, some

friends, there are things in the social life of our country today that imperil all the things that are dear to us. I tell you, the modern dance and the modern moving picture show and gambling and things of that kind, and some of you here today are gambling every day on your baseball grounds; but there are other things besides gambling in which you are selling out your lives. Oh my friends, there is the social sin, where men and women sacrifice their virtue and character. Our people by the thousands and millions are going down to Hell and consuming their lives for the satisfaction of pleasure.

Jesus Christ says if a man drink the bitter dregs out of the fountains of pleasure in the world, if he had it all, if all the joy that had come from passion and pleasure, that had come out of the satisfaction of the appetite and all the joy that had come out of the satisfaction of the highest ambitions of the devotee of pleasure—if one man had all this and in the gaining of it he had lost his soul, Jesus Christ says he has made a bad bargain. Oh my friends, what a statement from Almighty God! What a statement! If a man gain the whole world and in the gaining of it lose his own soul, what does it profit him? I wonder tonight how many men I am speaking to who either for pleasure or for wealth or for honor or for power are simply driving your life out and selling your soul in order to gain one of all of these? And at the same time you are carrying your soul down to Hell. I plead with you that you may know that your soul, your eternal spirit, is worth more in the sight of God than all these things put together.

There is a story of the man in New York state who committed a crime against the government and escaped arrest and went to California and went into the gold field, accumulated a fortune, married a beautiful woman, and reared a family of beautiful girls. After twenty years he moved back to New York City. One day an officer of the law came into his bank and said, "You are my prisoner." He was arrested and tried, and the judge pronounced on him a sentence which sent him to spend the rest of his life in Sing Sing. When the sentence was pronounced he said, "I have only one request to make before you carry me to my home yonder in Sing Sing, and that is that I may be allowed to go back to my Fifth Avenue home and visit it and see again my wife and daughters." The judge granted the request and under heavy guard he was carried to his home. He went through it from cellar to garret. He saw on the walls the paintings which his money had bought, he saw the beautiful furniture, the carpets and the tapestries; and as he came out to the front door he fell on a cushioned seat and said, "Wife, have I not been a good husband?" "Yes." He said to his daughters, "Have I not been a good father?" "Yes." He said, "Oh, to think of it! I have spent a fortune on this building and on my bank and on the other things I have done, and to think I am going to a place where I cannot enjoy my gain!" Oh, my friends, tonight I want you to know that God here in this wonderful Scripture is trying to give you a sense of the value of your soul.

What is a soul worth? Go and ask the mother when the babe comes fresh from her life. See her going through the pains of travail in order to bring that child into the world; ask that mother what the body is worth. Go yonder to the place of death and see that widow as she mourns over the loss of her husband as his body goes down into the ground. Ask her what the body is worth. And yet, in silence there is no word that comes back. I will tell you, you cannot find there what a body is worth, let alone what a soul is worth.

When our little girl, now sixteen years of age, the most satisfactory child I ever saw, was five years of age, the doctor said, "She has pneumonia." I shall never forget that time. For seven days and nights her mother

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the Shunamite. I wish you would see what she wants and what brings her hither?

Gehazi ran down the road to meet her and he saluted her in the words of my text: "Is it well with thee? is it well with thy husband? is it well with thy child?" She answered after the manner of the eastern salutation: "It is well." She drew near to the man of God, dismounted from the beast, fell upon her knees, threw her arms about him and wept.

Elisha Told of Son's Death

She said: "My boy is dead and I want you to go back and help me bring him to life again."

Elisha said to Gehazi: "Gehazi, . . . take my staff and lay it upon the face of the child."

But she clung to him, weeping, and said: "As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee."

She compelled the man of God to accompany her home. He put everybody out of the room, out of the house, walked into the chamber where the dead boy was lying on the bed. We are told that he spread himself upon the dead child, put his face to the boy's face, his hands on the boy's hands, his heart to the boy's heart, and he prayed. God heard his prayer, and the child sat up and asked for his mother.

Elisha called to Gehazi and said: "Carry the lad to his mother." And the house of sorrow was turned into a home of mirth.

Now why do you suppose God gives us that beautiful and matchless story? I will tell you:

Lesson in Story

That is simply an Old Testament incident; that is simply a pastoral incident of centuries and centuries ago, but there is a lesson in it that I think and feel is peculiarly applicable to this meeting tonight. For that reason I bring you the message, and that is, God wants to teach us importunity in prayer, determination to accomplish the thing upon which our heart is set, no matter what difficulties may be in the way.

Years ago in Cincinnati a minister had preached, as best human wisdom could depict, the life of God to a sin-cursed world, and as he was drawing to the close of his sermon the Lord seemed to say: "Make the application of your message personal. Ask if there is not one here that would like to be a Christian."

And he did what he had not done in that rich and fashionable church for years. He said to the people: "Let us bow our heads in prayer. If there is someone here who is sick and tired of sin and wants us to pray for you, lift your hand."

All were still. Just then the door opened and a young man walked in, dropped in the rear seat, leaped to his feet, raised his hand and then cried out: "Pray for me, sir; I am sick and tired of sin."

And the minister prayed. Then he hurried down the aisle and took the young man by the hand. He learned from him a sad story of prodigality and wandering. The minister advised him to write home and tell his parents what he had done.

When the answer came, the envelope was bordered with black. With tear-dimmed eyes and trembling hand he broke the seal and read something like this:

"My Dear Son:

"The joy which your letter brought to our home and hearts was only exceeded by the sadness which was there at the same time, for nearly as we can conclude, the same day and the same hour that you found Jesus Christ as your Saviour, your poor old father was going into the skies."

"All day long he rolled and tossed upon his bed, and he would cry out: 'O God, save my poor wandering drunken boy today!' And just as he passed into the skies, he cried: 'O God, save—,' and he finished the prayer in the presence of Jesus."

Do you know the result? Down at the bottom of the letter the

mother added his footnote: "You are a Christian tonight because your old father would not let God go."

Oh, for men and women who can pray like that!

Personal Message

I would like to make the application of my message tonight so personal that not a man, woman or child can go out of here and say: "He didn't mean me; it didn't touch me; it didn't apply to me."

Now—"is it well with thee?"

I will answer that much of it for every man, woman and child in this building tonight. It is not well if you have not Jesus Christ.

Gang Leads Men Wrong

There is many a young man going to Hell tonight because he was influenced by the gang he ran with. The wrong mob will put any fellow into the penitentiary and Hell if he stays by them long enough.

There is many a man influenced by the gang he goes with to do things which, after he has done them and when he is alone, he hates and despises himself for.

There are men in Heaven tonight because they had manhood enough to choose the right company, and there are men in Hell because they were dragged there by the gang they went with.

Is it well with the man who will sit at the gaming table and runs the risk of being a black-legged gambler?

Is it well with the man who will take even an occasional drink and run the risk of becoming a drunkard?

Is It Well With Blasphemer?

Is it well with the man who is taking God's name in vain on his lips and pouring out his polluted oaths and blasphemy?

Is it well with the man who will hang on the walls of his memory vile, lewd pictures and approach in his thoughts the secrets of others?

Is it well with the man or woman who is careless with his or her associates, careless of the Sabbath day and the laws of God?

No! No! Ten thousand times no!

God pity you if you go out into eternity with the sin in your life that is there tonight as you sit and listen to me!

Some years ago a friend of mine was sitting in the old Water street mission in Chicago when a 14-year-old boy came in and asked for a needle and thread. Instead, my friend sent him upstairs to his wife and she soon had the lad on her lap and a confession from him.

They Forgave the Boy

The boy had stolen \$95 from his father, had run away from home, and his father had spent hundreds of dollars trying to find him. His mother was ill because of her son's absence. My friend wired the father and the father replied to send the boy home at once, that he would be at the depot to welcome him and forgive him freely.

God stands ready and willing to forgive you, and by and through the sacrificial death of Christ I am able to stand here tonight and bring you this message.

During the sepoy mutiny in India a number of English officers were captured and heavy chains wrapped about them. As the sepoys were about to chain one wounded officer, another by the name of Baird stepped forward and offered to carry his own chain and that of his wounded fellow official as well. Baird was chained twice as heavily as the others and died, and the wounded officer lived to return to England. He never failed to tell the story of the sacrifice Baird made for him.

Christ Took Your Guilt

Had Baird worn all the chains, even that would not have been analogous to what Christ did when on the cross, who took upon Himself your guilt and mine and opened up a plan of redemption to keep us out of Hell.

Our friends in Heaven are anx-

Dr. Bob Jones Says:

You friends who have invested some of the Lord's money in Bob Jones University and also you other friends who are looking for a place to invest some of the Lord's money so it will pay good dividends for time and for eternity will be interested in some very remarkable figures which have come to me from the office of the Director of Religious Activities. These figures are astonishing and overwhelming. Please note them carefully. Bob Jones University students during the first semester of this school year have either conducted or taken a prominent part in 12,439 public religious services. They have a record of 8,703 people whom they have been able to lead to the Lord Jesus Christ. They also have a record of 6,604 backsliders who have been brought back into fellowship with our Lord through the contacts they have made with these backsliders. Counting the work done by the Bob Jones University ministerial students during last summer, we have a record of more than 30,000 people who have been led to the Lord Jesus Christ by Bob Jones University students in the last fifteen months. How thankful we are for the marvelous blessing God is giving to the work of this Christian educational institution of which I happen to be the founder.

Bob Jones University has as high academic standards as any educational institution in America. Approximately a thousand students in the university are taking Greek. A large number take Hebrew. Some are taking Chinese, Swedish, Russian, Spanish, Latin, French, German, etc. There is no school in America whose faculty is better trained for the type of

teaching they are doing than are the members of the faculty of Bob Jones University. We have a wonderful plant. It is modern and well equipped. We, however, do not boast about these things. We are not "strutting" academic standards and equipment. These things have their place, but Bob Jones University endeavors in all things to give the Lord Jesus Christ pre-eminence. Our institution is interested in training orthodox and fervent evangelistic Christian leaders, both men and women, who will go out to bless the world and win the lost to the Lord Jesus Christ.

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ious. I have no doubt every man and woman in Omaha has friends in Heaven who would leap with joy if you would give your heart to Jesus.

When I was traveling with Doctor Chapman a man came up at one meeting and told Doctor Chapman he was a reformed drunkard and wanted to shake his hand. He said he once was one of the most prosperous men in the city, but had drunk his fortune away, until he was a regular drunkard. He said one night his boy died and before he went to Heaven asked the father to be good to his mother and meet him in Heaven. "I would not disappoint that boy for anything on

earth. I know he is waiting for me," said the man.

Friends in Heaven

Friends yonder are anxious. God is anxious. Christ is anxious. Is it well with thee? No. No.

I had a friend who used to be secretary of the Y.M.C.A. in New York City. Among his duties he visited Castle Garden and gave advice and instructions to the young men who came as strangers to our shore. One day he met a shipload from Glasgow, Scotland. He was especially attracted by a keen, snappy-looking young Scotchman. The young man said he could get along without the help of the Y.M.C.A., that he was not a Christian and had no in-

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The Value of a Soul and The Danger of Losing It

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and I stayed by the side of that beautiful little child with that awful disease, that disease when announced in the body of your child sends a spasm of pain to your heart. Day and night for seven long days and nights we did not take off our clothes to sleep. I will tell you, my friends, when one of your own is in the grip of an awful disease, sleep and appetite leave you. Oh, what a draw on the heart of the father and mother as they see a little child in the grip of the disease! The doctor said, "Between the seventh and the ninth day the disease will change its attack from the lungs to the heart and then it is a question of vitality." He told me the symptoms when the change would come.

And one night past midnight I discovered that the symptoms of the change had come. I saw the subnormal temperature; I saw the twitching of the hands; I saw that anxiety on that little face. I said to the mother, "Wife, the time has come now. The testing time has come." I said, "Go to the phone and call our doctor." Oh, how I bless God for good doctors! How I bless God for that man who will stay by the side of the body of the loved one and help you fight the battle! And he said he would come. Then I said, "Now, little woman,

we must send for another doctor." And there by the side of the bed we asked God to spare the life of our child. I said to Him, "Dear Saviour, I hold nothing too dear to give now that you may spare the body of our little child." My friend, will a father or mother sell out the things that are dear for the body of their child? God help us to know that the souls of men are worth ten thousand times more than the bodies of men. Jesus said, "For whosoever would save his life shall lose it, and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it."

I was in a town in West Texas waiting for a midnight train. In the room where I was waiting sat a cattle king. He owns eight hundred and fifty sections of land. He owned at that time twenty-five thousand head of fine cattle. He owned banks and railroad stock. There sat by his side his wife, his son and his son's wife. In his arms was a beautiful little grandchild. Dr. Truett was sitting by my side and we were talking to the cattle king. He got to talking about the sickness of his little granddaughter. He said, "The doctor came over that road forty miles. All day it took him to travel. He got there at night and next morning he discovered that the little child had diphtheria. It was forty miles to

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Is It Well With Thee?

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tention of becoming a Christian.

Two years later my friend was called to the Cook County Hospital to pray for a young man who was dying. He found the young Scotchman a mass of putrefaction, dying of a malignant disease. The young Scotchman recognized my friend, cried that he would give the world if he had taken the former's advice two years before and then said: "Mr. Smith, I wish you would tell the young men of Chicago that they can't stop the tide of life, neither can they win its battles without Jesus Christ. If they think they can, tell them about me, will you?"

And I take it up and bring it to you, for the same Devil that damns in old sin-cursed, whisky-soaked, gambling, bloated, harlot-ridden, Sabbath-breaking Chicago is the same Devil and the same sin that will damn you in Omaha, that will damn you in your home, and you cannot win without Jesus Christ.

Why Not Like Sunbeam?

Why are you not as pure as a sunbeam?

Why are you not as sweet as a dewdrop?

Why are you not as lovely as the sun-kissed Alps?

Why are you not as unchanging as a spring morning, pulsing with bird song?

Why? I'll tell you, sir.

God made those things and God can make you like those things if you will only let Him.

You say: "Mr. Sunday, I had a bad start in life. I have come from bad stock. I have had bad blood in my veins. I was born with the Devil in me and with evil inclinations."

You can be born again with the Devil out of you if you want to be, if you will give yourself to Jesus Christ and turn from your sins. Certainly! Don't blame your parents. They brought you into the world, that's true, but you yielded to its sin when you came in. Don't blame them.

If you lived in a palace with a bad heart in you, you would turn the palace into a slum. You can't cure smallpox or scarlet fever or diphtheria by crawling in between clean sheets. If you turn a polecat loose in a parlor, which will change first—the polecat or the parlor?

Sin doesn't start in a stale beer joint or a brothel. Sin started in the Garden of Eden. So I say, don't blame society; you are a part of it. Society is what it is and you have helped to make it what it is, and if you wanted to be different why didn't you follow Christ and set the example? Don't blame the church. That is the place for you to go to learn to do what you ought to do.

Don't Blame the Devil

Don't blame the Devil; all he can do is to tempt you, and there are not devils enough in Hell to make you a drunkard if you don't want to be one, and there are not angels enough in Heaven to make you walk home sober if you don't want to. Put it up square to yourself. Don't put it up to society, or your parents, or the church, or to Adam and Eve. Put it up to yourself and say: "I'm the lobster; this is the fellow."

"Is it well with thy husband?"

Is It Well With Thy Husband?

The man who sits by your side, the man whose name you bear; the man for whose comfort you work; the man for whom you stand and toil to please; the man who is the father of your children; the man who by the sweat of his brow and the expenditure of his brain and muscle force buys the clothes that cover your body and the food that satisfies and appeases you, the man whose image is woven in the fibers of your heart; the man for whose footsteps you listen; the man you swore to love, honor and cherish; the man for whom you left a good deal better home than he has ever given you—you turned your back on more happiness than he has ever given you.

A friend of mine was preaching in an eastern city. He had gone out to work among the audience to induce them to give their hearts to Christ. A woman in the front

row in the gallery cried out: "Pray for my husband! He is sitting by my side. I believe he is listening to his last sermon. God is giving him his last chance."

The next afternoon some women came to my friend weeping and told him that man had sent a bullet crashing through his brain.

I believe God told that wife to say that that husband was listening to his funeral sermon. That was Heaven or Hell for him.

Bell of God Tolling

And I believe this series of meetings is the bell of God tolling out the destiny of human souls. I believe as I breathe that if men and women are not saved in these days, eternal damnation will be their portion.

"Has your master gone to Heaven?" asked some men of an old Negro who had for thirty-five years been the body servant of a southern planter.

"No, sir; Massa never went to Heaven. Massa's made lots of trips; he always talked to me about where he was going, how long he was going to stay, what he wanted to take with him. I've been with him thirty-two years and I never heard him talk about Heaven. He never got ready to go to that place."

Never Talk of Heaven

There are women who have been living with a man for twenty-five years and you never heard him talk about Heaven. You never heard him mention the name of God except as he cursed God. You never heard him mention the name of Jesus Christ except as he swore and blasphemed around the house. Hear me; if that man died tonight, you, the neighbors and the community would not have to guess twice where he went. If his obituary notice would appear in the newspaper tomorrow night and crepe fluttered from the door knob, the community would not have to guess twice where he went.

"Is it getting night?" asked an old Scotch lady ninety-two years old. "Is it getting night?"

"Yes, Janet," said her husband, two years her senior.

She said, "Are all the boys in?"

"Yes, Janet; the boys are all in." (The last one had gone to Heaven four years before.)

"Husband, I'll soon be in, won't I? You will come in, won't you? You won't wait long, will you?"

And he said, "Yes, Janet, by the grace of God, through Jesus Christ, it won't be long."

"Is It Well With Thy Child?"

"Is it well with thy child?"

I have often tried to imagine Noah and his wife seated in the ark, contented, and the storm of God brewing to burst on the world, and one would turn to the other and say: "Where are the boys?"

"Oh, they are out; they will be in late tonight. Leave the night lock so they can get in; they didn't take their key with them."

I can't imagine a father and mother tucking themselves in bed and letting their children gad the streets.

You are interested in your children. You hire teachers, you tax the community, you build public schools and get the best money can buy. You are concerned for their health. You will send for the doctor when they are ill. You work to give them three meals a day. You will buy them warm clothes for winter and cool clothes for summer. You are concerned for their health; but, great God, what about their souls?

Lead Boys to Hell

I tell you, there are men in Omaha who are leading boys as straight to Hell as that two and two make four. There are boys and girls, young people—if they ever walk the streets of Heaven instead of groaning in Hell, it will be because of the influence of some stranger. God pity a boy or girl when all the Christianity they hear is from the lips of strangers, not from their own parents.

Too Much Time in Society

I tell you, you spend too much time in society, too much time in club life, too much time in your lodge, too much time in your auxiliaries. You have too little time with your children. You

spend too little time on your knees praying to God to keep the home right for Jesus Christ. Speak to them. Live right before them. Set them an example that will inspire them.

If I were not a Christian, do you know what I would do? I would walk down the aisle tonight, give my heart to God, and if I had a child I would go home, and if he were asleep, I would get him out of bed, wash his face to waken him, and I would say to him: "You never heard your father pray. I want you to hear him pray." I would get him on his knees and I would let that child that bears my name hear my voice in prayer!

Safe in Mother's Arms

And I tell you, a mother's arms and a mother's heart are a safe anchorage, and there are not devils enough in Hell to drag the children out of that harbor if they will only get in there.

"Is it well with thy child?"

Listen! In your home there are boys and girls destined to rule in church and state. Upon which side of their life the influences are thrown will determine what they shall be.

Some Oliver Cromwell who will dissolve parliament; some David Brainerd who will change the Indian warwhoop into a Sabbath school; some Beethoven who will touch the world's heartstrings and make them sing, some Miss Dix who will soothe the brain of the crazed; some Clara Barton who will bind up the battle wounds; some Frances E. Willard who will arouse the people to the ravages of the liquor traffic—yes, someone, I say is destined to rule in church and in state. Some John Knox who will make queens turn pale on their throne; some Martin Luther who will start a reformation.

Yes, but you wait too long. You wait until he curses you to your face before you teach him: "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain." You wait until he staggers into your presence before you teach him: "Look not on the wine when it is red." You wait until he steals and is off to the penitentiary before you teach him: "Thou shalt not steal." You wait until he has robbed some girl of her virtue before you teach him: "Thou shalt not commit adultery."

I want to say to you that the brightest picture that hangs upon the walls of my memory is the recollection of the days when, as a little boy out in the log cabin on the frontier of Iowa, I knelt by Mother's side. I went back to the old farm some years ago to bury my brother. The scenes had changed about the place. Faces I had known and loved had long since turned to dust. Fingers that used to turn the pages of the Bible were obliterated, and the old trees beneath which we boys used to play and swing had been felled by the woodman's ax.

Once more with my gun on my shoulder and my favorite dog trailing at my heels, I walked through the pathless wood and sat on the old familiar logs and stumps, and as I sat and listened to the wild, weird harmonies of nature, a vision of the past opened. The squirrel from the limb of the tree barked defiantly and I threw myself into an interrogation point, and when the gun cracked the squirrel fell at my feet.

Once more I heard the shouts of childish glee. Once more I climbed the haystacks for the hen's eggs. Once more we crossed the threshold and sat at our frugal meal. Once more Mother drew the trundle bed from under the large one, and we boys, kneeling down, shut our eyes, and clasping our little hands we said: "Now I lay me down to sleep. I pray Thee, Lord, my soul to keep. If I should die before I wake, I pray Thee, Lord, my soul to take. And this I ask for Jesus' sake, Amen."

I cried out then, as I feel like crying now:

Backward, turn backward, O time in thy flight, Make me a child again, just for tonight.

Mother, come back from that

Substituting Karl Marx for Jesus Christ

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odist minister and author of the book entitled, "Behind Soviet Power." Frederick Woltman attended the convention of the Methodist Federation for Social Action, and in his report he said: "The convention's expert on American-Soviet relations is to be Dr. Jerome Davis, long an admirer of the Soviet system." He writes concerning Dr. Davis: "Dr. Davis summed up his views thus: 'Is it not probable that the greatest event of the 20th century thus far is the Soviet revolution and all that it has meant to human welfare?'"

Dr. Davis' book, "Behind Soviet Power," was sent last summer by the Division of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Church, of which Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, bishop of the New York Area, is president, to every minister in the Methodist Church. A covering letter signed by Bishop Oxnam introduced the book to the preachers. It is one of the finest pieces of pro-Russian propaganda. The money to pay for this came out of the missionary funds.

I have in my hand the *Classmate*. Many of you know this Sunday school paper which is the official organ of the Methodist Church for young people. The date is July 20, 1947. Here is an article by Jerome Davis entitled "Joseph Stalin." Let me read some of the sections in this article for you, and I want to ask you if this is the kind of propaganda that you think the coming generation in America should be taught in the name of the church of Jesus Christ. This is Jerome Davis writing: "It would

echoless shore,
Take me again to your heart
as of yore.
In the old cradle I'm longing
to creep,
Rock me to sleep, mother,
rock me to sleep.
I want to go back to the orchard,
The orchard that used to
be mine.
The apples are reddening and
filling
The air with their wine.
I want to run on through
the pasture,
And let down the dusty old
bars,
I want to find you there still
waiting,
Your eyes like the twin
stars.
Oh, nights you are weary and
dreary,
And days there is some-
thing you lack;
To the farm in the valley
I want to go back.

I stretched the elastic bands of my mother's love until I thought they would break. I went so far into the dark and the wrong until I ceased to hear her praying or her pleadings.

I forgot her face, and I went so far that it seemed to me that one more step and the elastic bands of her love would break and I would be lost.

But, that God, friends, I never took that step. Little by little I yielded to the tender memories and recollections of my mother; little by little I was drawn away from the yawning abyss, and twenty-nine years ago, one dark and stormy night, I groped my way out of the darkness into the arms of Jesus Christ.

Thus I am here preaching to you to help you to Jesus Christ.

be an error to consider the Soviet leader a willful man who believes in forcing his ideas upon others. Everything he does reflects the desires and hopes of the masses to a large degree."

I wonder what the people of Czechoslovakia would think about that statement?

Now let me read from the concluding paragraph of the article: "These are some of the aspects of Stalin's life which we should understand. Here is a man who was born under the Tsar's tyranny, without any money, coming from the poorest of the poor in the Caucasian Mountains, speaking a foreign dialect. Yet he studied desperately hard to win honors at graduation. Then he went out to fight for justice for the people." Did you hear that? Could it be that the Soviet system is being suggested as involving justice for the people? But listen: "But can we go out to serve God and the common people of America as sincerely and courageously as Stalin did for what he believed was best for his people?"

Fellow Christian, fellow American, do you think that Joseph Stalin should be held up to the youth in the Christian churches in the United States as an example of how to serve God sincerely and courageously? I don't.

This biography of Stalin reads like a biography of Thomas Jefferson. Let me turn back and read you more of these stories which are told about him. "Stalin was fearless in helping the workers. One day in Batum he led a demonstration demanding the release of those arrested unjustly by the Tsar's officers. The police retaliated by arresting three hundred of the demonstrators. The next day Stalin marched at the head of a still larger demonstration. The police fired on the crowd. Stalin escaped, but within a month was found, arrested, and sentenced to three years. But he refused to stay put. He was able to contrive ingenious and daring means of escape so that he could continue his work in freeing the oppressed. During his life he was arrested seven

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times and escaped six. The last time he was released was by the Revolution." Could it be that the revolution is presented as perhaps a good thing, freeing Stalin, and should his heroic leadership for the revolution be held up to these young people as an example?

At the conclusion of an address in Cleveland where I read from this *Classmate*, there came to the front of the church a stalwart, gray-haired gentleman. Tears were rolling down his cheeks, and his hands were trembling. He said, "Mr. McIntire, I cannot deny what you say; there it is in black and white. But I did not know it. I am chairman of the Board of Stewards in such-and-such Methodist Church here in Cleveland. We have to do something about it." Then he gripped my hand firmly and said, "Young man, keep up the fight. I wish you could get on the largest radio network in America and read those words to the Christian people of this land." I said to him, "Sir, I would be glad to do it if you will pay for the time."

Instead of presenting articles like this to the young people, they ought to tell them about the tyrannies of the collectivistic social order. You know, it is in the name of so-called economic brotherhood that we are being asked to give up our liberties. We have such false contrasts. In the name of liberty, we are going to lose liberty; in the name of civil rights, we are going to lose our civil rights; and it is in the name of a free society as contrasted with the police state, these Federal Council leaders now tell us, that we are going to be asked to give up our free economy. But that is the heart of our free society. When a socialist talks of a free society, he means one which will be controlled by their planners. Why, oh, why are we so blind? Why, oh, why are we so indifferent? Liberty, life, the Gospel are at stake.

The terms of the Christian faith, such as "the kingdom of God" and "the new man," are still to be used in this drive to socialize America. Men have read into the old terms new meanings. Freedom means something different. Christ means something different; in fact, He becomes Marx.

This same Methodist Church which published this *Classmate*, in its General Conference meeting in Boston last week voted to increase the contribution which it makes to the Federal Council from \$55,000 a year to \$90,000 a year.

The boldest and the most subtle attacks upon our free economy and free society are being carried on even in the lower age groups of the Sunday schools of these denominational bodies of the Federal Council. I speak of the Congregational Christian Church, The Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., the Northern Baptist Convention, the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Southern Presbyterian Church. And I am sorry to say that even into the Southern Baptist Church these same influences are beginning to be felt. Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, went to Europe and visited Stalin recently, and came back with a favorable report. Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam wrote an introduction to his report, and the Communist Party of Illinois circulated the pamphlet with Bishop Oxnam's introduction in the name of the Communist Party of Illinois to the preachers of that state to promote the communist cause.

Why is all this coming upon us like a flood? Because we have gotten away from the simple teachings of a childlike faith in the Bible. That Book is our Gibraltar and it is our moorings. Before socialism can take over America, God's people must be led to think that the Bible has a

different meaning, and the campaign is on, subtly to take away our free society.

April Fool Day is always the day for pranks. On this April Fool evening there was a party held in the basement of our home by the young people of the church which I serve. I was unable to be there, but the next morning at the breakfast table my little boy passed around to each member of the family a stick of chewing gum. It was an unusual thing to pass chewing gum around at breakfast, but I had forgotten that the day before was April 1st. Every other member of the family knew exactly what was going on. After I had finished my breakfast I picked up the chewing gum. There was an attractive wrapper, "Wrigley's Spearmint Chewing Gum." I have seen the wrapper many times and so have you. I took it off, and there was a piece of tinfoil around the gum, just as was to be expected. Inside was a light gray colored stick of chewing gum, just like the chewing gum you have seen anywhere else. Up to that time everything was all right. I lifted the chewing gum to my mouth and began to chew. You know what happened! I had a mouthful of the hottest Mexican red-hot you ever tasted. Everybody enjoyed the joke, and I did not get the hot taste out of my mouth until after dinner was over!

We can laugh when such an experience has to do with chewing gum, but when it comes to you in the fair name of the church of Jesus Christ, wrapped up in the Sunday school quarterly, or in the name of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the voice of Protestantism; when it comes in the name of liberty and everything looks perfectly all right but the message itself will destroy our free order and make us an easy prey for the advancing hordes of Russia, it is no laughing matter.

Let me carry my illustration a little further. Not only is the good wrapper put on the bad chewing gum, but the attempt is made to put the bad wrapper on the good chewing gum. I shall deal with that angle of things in my talk Monday night when I speak on "Witch Hunting and the Origin of the So-called Civil Rights Program." Will you listen? Once you are alert to tactics of this kind you can be on your guard. Several days later I took a piece of that same chewing gum on which I had been deceived and gave it to the same little boy who had deceived me. He looked at it; he would not touch it. He was alert!

I have told you of the Federal Council organized in 1908, and its present program of modernism and the social gospel. I told you of the organization of the American Council of Christian Churches, and the issues that have arisen. At the very heart of it rests this mighty question of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Beloved, there is only one Gospel, and there is only one way to be saved. Jesus Christ said: "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me." Jesus Christ said, "In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you." Do you believe that? I do. I believe it with all my heart. I know that the Son of God left His home in Heaven, the ivory palaces, and came to a world of woe, that He might redeem us by His own precious blood and give us everlasting life and the certain hope of a resurrection day and of an eternity spent with our Creator and Redeemer. Join us in this mighty battle, calling God's people back to the faith. It means that we must put Jesus Christ above every other consideration. He said, "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he that loveth son and daughter more than me is not worthy of me." Do you

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I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat."

Is a Man Wise to Be Deceived By It?

Proverbs 20:1. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

God Denounces Those Given to It!
Isaiah 28:1. "Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with wine!"

God Denounces Those Who Encourage It!

Habakkuk 2:15. "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that putteth his bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!"

It Excludes From Heaven!

I Corinthians 6:10. "Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God."

A Drunken Son Was Punished!

Deuteronomy 21:20, 21. "And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton, and a drunkard. And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put evil away from among you; and all Israel shall hear, and fear."

What Does Jesus Say About Drunkenness?

Matthew 24:48-51. "But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; And shall begin to smite his fellow-servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; The Lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

God Pronounces Woe Upon Those Who Drink!

Isaiah 5:11. "Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them!"

What Happened to Drunken Nabal?

I Samuel 25:36-38. "And Abigail came to Nabal; and, behold, he held a feast in his house, like the feast of a king; and Nabal's heart was merry within him, for he was very drunken: wherefore she told him nothing, less or more, until the morning light. But it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, and his wife had told him these things, that his heart died within him, and he became as a stone. And it came to pass about ten days after, that the Lord smote Nabal, and he died."

What Happened to Drunken Elah?

1 Kings 16:8-10. "In the twenty and sixth year of Asa king of Judah began Elah the son of Baasha to reign over Israel in Tirzah, two years. And his servant Zimri, captain of half his chariots, conspired against him, as he was in Tirzah, drinking himself drunk in the house of Arza steward of his house in Tirzah. And Zimri went in and smote him, and killed him, in the twenty and seventh year of Asa

love the Lord Jesus Christ?

Thank you for listening. Good night.

(This is the third of six radio messages on RUSSIA'S MOST EFFECTIVE FIFTH COLUMN IN AMERICA, an indictment of the Federal Council of Churches. Other messages will appear in the succeeding issues of THE SWORD OF THE LORD. The entire series of messages may be had for 25c from Christian Beacon Press, Hadson and Frazer Avenues, Collingswood, New Jersey.)

king of Judah, and reigned in his stead."

What Happened to Drunken King Benhadad of Damascus?

I Kings 20:16-21. "And they went out at noon. But Benhadad was drinking himself drunk in the pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two kings that helped him. And the young men of the princes of the provinces went out first, and Benhadad sent out, and they told him, saying, There are men came out of Samaria. And he said, 'Whether they be come out for peace, take them alive; or whether they be come out for war, take them alive. So these young men of the princes of the provinces came out of the city, and the army which followed them. And they slew every one of his men: and the Syrians fled; and Israel pursued them: and Benhadad the king of Syria escaped on an horse with the horsemen. And the king of Israel went out, and smote the horses and chariots, and slew the Syrians with a great slaughter."

What Happened to Belshazzar?

Daniel 5: 3, 4; 23, 30. "Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which was at Jerusalem; and the king, and his princess, his wives, and his concubines, drank in them. They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone. But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified: In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain."

What Did Paul Say to King Felix?

Acts 24:25. "And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee."

What About Noah and His Sons?

Genesis 9:21-23. "And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent. And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without. And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid it upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness."

What About the Final Results?

Proverbs 23:20, 21; 29-35. "Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eater of flesh: For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder. Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things. Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast. They have stricken me, shalt thou say, I was not sick; they have beaten me, and I felt it not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again."

"If you want plenty of poverty, plenty of pain, plenty of sorrow, plenty of shame, plenty of broken heads and hearts, hopes doomed and sealed—be a Drunkard."

—Sel.
—From the Gospel Messenger
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President of Wheaton College Speaks



V. Raymond Edman, Ph.D., LL.D.
President, Wheaton College
Wheaton, Illinois

Number two in a series of comments by famous men on the book, **THE HOME: Courtship, Marriage and Children**, by Dr. John R. Rice.

Wheaton College has long been famous as an independent Christian college, with very high standards of scholarship standing for the fundamentals of the faith. The enrollment is limited to about fifteen hundred resident students, with thousands of others applying for entrance. Dr. Edman says:

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With the Evangelists

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By the Editor

Year's Report From Evangelist G. P. Comer

We were nappy to have the annual report of Evangelist G. P. Comer, approved evangelist of the Methodist church. Brother Comer's address is P. O. Box 5889, Dallas 2, Texas. Despite some sickness, Brother Comer held ten revival campaigns in seven states last year, travelled 21,000 miles, and reports that God has graciously blessed in campaigns in Methodist churches and in community-wide revivals. There were some eight hundred conversions and reclamations, about three hundred joining various churches, 610 individuals pledging to erect family altars, many pledging to tithe, etc. Brother Comer says: "Taking Paul's advice to Timothy, 'Do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of your ministry,' I ask an interest in the prayers of all God's people and that we pray for a great revival in Methodism during the years ahead in the advance 'for Christ and His church.'"

We are happy to have a very strong endorsement of Brother Comer from the Baptist and Methodist pastors at McCamey, Texas, where Brother Comer had a blessed revival campaign November 21-December 12. Brother C. Jordan Mann, the Methodist pastor, writes:

"During the meeting over one hundred people gave their lives to Christ or rededicated themselves to Him, and there were sixty-one additions to the various churches. In a great city-wide service on Sunday afternoon, December 5, sixty-five pledged to begin tithing. At a later service seventy-one individuals pledged to begin a family altar, and during the two weeks over 4,900 chapters in the Bible were read."

"Under the dynamic preaching and stirring singing of Brother Comer a genuine revival of religion has come to the whole community. All of the churches have been brought closer together in realizing their common endeavor. Indifferent church members have been stirred to seek their place of responsibility again, and many who never before attended church began to come through curiosity and stayed to surrender their hearts and lives to Christ."

"As a direct result of the meeting the Methodist Church is filled with a zest such as it has not known for quite awhile. The Spirit of God is present in the hearts and lives of individuals and in the corporate body of the church, so that great things can be accomplished for Christ and His kingdom."

Rev. W. I. Lee, pastor of the First Baptist Church of McCamey, Texas, writes as follows:

"Rev. G. P. Comer came to McCamey November 28, 1948, for a revival with the Methodist Church; however a group of Baptists attended the meeting from the beginning. The crowds increased so much that the Methodist Church auditorium would not seat them, and we as Baptists invited them to come over and use our auditorium. So the last eight nights of the meeting were conducted in the Baptist Church."

"As a minister I try to be careful who I permit to preach in my pulpit, but my basis of fellowship is the Word of God, and when a man preaches the Word and denounces sin and the modern evils as Comer does, I can have fellowship with him and want to support or help him anyway I can."

"It was certainly a great blessing to our churches and town to have Brother Comer with us. There were 15 who came forward on profession of faith to join our church, and 14 joined by letter. There were many rededications, and 25 of our people pledged to tithe. Several of the new members have been attending the prayer meeting on Wednesday night since the revival. There were 33 additions to the Methodist Church, 2 additions to Christian

Church, and 3 for the Assembly of God Church—a total of 67 additions.

"Brother Comer's type of ministry will reach people the average person will not reach. There were people in the services none had ever seen in church, and the glorious thing about it was that many of them were saved. He doesn't come for a series of services, but comes to have a revival, and that is what the average church and community needs today."

"I believe any community will be greatly blessed if they have him for a revival."

We know Bible believers will pray for this good Methodist evangelist. We thank God for his boldness in speech against sin, his earnest, uncompromising faith in the inspiration of the Scriptures, and in the power of the blood of Christ.

Earl K. Lashley of P. O. Box 35, St. Louis Crossing, Indiana, Commended by Pastor

We have heard many good things about Evangelist Earl K. Lashley. He is deeply concerned about revivals in neglected places, and again and again reports have come of blessed revivals with Brother Lashley preaching. We are glad to have a letter from Pastor Cecil H. Britt, praising God for recent revival services led by Brother Lashley. The letter follows:

"Dear Brother Rice:

"I am sending you for your paper a little news of a revival. It should have been sent in long ago, but I lost your address and this morning saw it in *Western Recorder*. On the first of November, 1948, we began a revival in the Summer Shade Baptist Church of Summer Shade, Kentucky, of which I am pastor. We had Evangelist Earl K. Lashley of St. Louis Crossing, Indiana, assisting. The meeting ran over two weeks, with twenty-four professions of faith. We had overflow crowds at the services and a fine spirit of cooperation. At the same time a revival was in progress at the Christian Church."

"This is the second time we have had Brother Lashley in this church for revival. I find him truly a great preacher and sound in the faith. The church has been greatly revived and is going forward in a great way for the Lord."

"Yours in the Lord,"
(Signed) Cecil H. Britt
Evangelist Louis Wunneburger, P. O. Box 510, Austin, Texas, Reports Victory in Broadway Baptist Church, Houston

Evangelist Louis Wunneburger is on the staff of the Baptist General Convention of Texas as a state evangelist, and God continues to richly bless the powerful preaching and Spirit-filled labors of this man of God. We are always glad to hear from our beloved friend, and take the liberty of publishing a personal letter here.

"Dear Brother Rice:

"Your blessed message of January 12th has been forwarded to me here in Akron. The weather is bad! But God is still blessing. Last night, again, God gave us souls in salvation—four more precious souls gloriously saved!"

"God gave us a sweeping victory in Broadway, Houston. I was there only eight days—January 2-9, 1949. But God gave us seventy additions and nineteen rededications. There were sixty for baptism and fourteen by letter and statement. Oh, how good God is when we are in the center of His will! The church had been pastorless for four months, and still is."

"I go from Akron to be with the Second Baptist Church, Corpus Christi, Texas."

Evangelist Clifford Lewis Blessed in County-Wide Crusade in Bucyrus, Ohio
Dr. Clifford Lewis, evangelist,

of Winona Lake, Indiana, abounding in labors, loveable in character and fellowship, is one of the most dependable and solid of Bible preaching evangelists. Here at the Sword of the Lord office we greatly admire Dr. Lewis and thank God for his consistent ministry. We are glad to have a belated report of a blessed county-wide revival campaign conducted by Dr. Clifford Lewis at Bucyrus, Ohio, November 7-28. The campaign was sponsored by the Ministerial Association, composed of seventeen ministers, representing twelve denominations. Cooperation was good, and the attendance ran from some 600 to 1,000 nightly for the three weeks. Vincent Cervera, song leader and trumpeter of New Orleans, led the

singing. Evangelist and singer visited most of the schools in the county. There were 217 public professions of faith, all carefully dealt with, and 117 solemn rededications. It was the first such union campaign in Bucyrus in some twenty-five years. About fifty young people offered themselves to any full-time service into which God might lead them.

After Bucyrus, Dr. Lewis went to Richmond, Indiana, for a single-church campaign, where God gave fifty conversions and thirty rededications.

Evangelist Claude Lee Slagle Commended by a Pastor

We are happy to have a nice letter from Rev. Richard Kilian, pastor of Maroa Bible Church of Maroa, Illinois, commending the

work of Evangelist Claude Lee Slagle of Bee Log, North Carolina. Brother Kilian writes:

"I am writing you regarding another good evangelist, Claude Lee Slagle, from Bee Log, North Carolina. Brother Slagle and I attended M.B.I. together and I know him to be a real man of God."

"We called Brother Slagle to the Maroa Bible Church where I now am pastor, to hold a two week's meeting for us, December 5-19, 1948. We had a good meeting which turned out to be nothing short of revival. The people here said they hadn't seen anything like it for twenty years."

"It was really a work of God's grace in the hearts and lives of (Continued on Page 7)

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By

JOHN R. RICE, D.D., Litt.D.

Nationally-known evangelist, editor and author

During 24 years of pastoral, evangelistic and editorial work, Dr. Rice has been confronted with troubled folk of both sexes and all ages, in private conversation, in letters by the score, and in forums, with questions on courtship and petting, problems of child discipline, family altar, birth control and other marriage problems. Finding almost no material written on such subjects from a Biblical viewpoint, Dr. Rice was greatly burdened to write a handbook on the home, to answer these questions and others. After much prayer and years of preparation, he compiled this fine book, "THE HOME: Courtship, Marriage and Children."

Young people, engaged couples, young married people and older, well-established families may profit by the instruction of these chapters. Pastors and Christian workers will find it indispensable in counselling questioning youth. The book, given as a wedding gift, will put many marriages on a firmer Christian basis.

This is a Christian guide showing the basis of a happy marriage and home. In the most delicate chapters of the book, there is nothing questionable, nothing unchaste or unchristian. Devoted and widely-known pastors and other Christians, after careful examination, all insisted that these chapters be included, since nowhere else could Christian people find in print reverent Bible teaching on the sacred duties and privileges of marriage and the home. Destined to change lives, to lead many to Christ, to cause thousands of people to start the family altar. READ OVER THE TABLE OF CONTENTS FOR DETAILS OF MATERIAL COVERED.

Dr. H. A. Ironside says:

"In this volume Dr. Rice speaks as a pastoral counsellor on questions that many ministers studiously avoid. He is both scriptural and practical. A careful consideration of many of its chapters, coupled with a sincere desire to practice the truth therein set forth, might save many a family from shipwreck."

"While Dr. Rice is always frank and straightforward, he is not rude or vulgar. No one will find his or her sensibilities offended by what is here set forth plainly on subjects which are often considered taboo among modest people."

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Pastor Wheaton Bible Church, Wheaton, Illinois, says: "The author rebukes sin fearlessly and even scathingly and applies Biblical principles as he understands them without hesitation and right to the hilt. This is both startling and refreshing in a day largely given to half-way measures and softening of issues. At the same time there are chapters so tender that one can scarcely read them without a lump in the throat and tears in the eyes..."

"The best commentary on the author's thesis is his own home. This reviewer would suggest that the author is very modest in his references to his family. A man whose six daughters are such happy, true Christians has a right to a hearing on the questions discussed in his volume."

This book contains 381 pages, 22 long chapters. It is bound in bright red cloth, jacketed in green and black. Striking is an insert of four pages in the front of the book containing a marriage license, a family record, and a Madonna-like picture of Mrs. Rice and Baby Joy born on Dr. and Mrs. Rice's sixteenth wedding anniversary.

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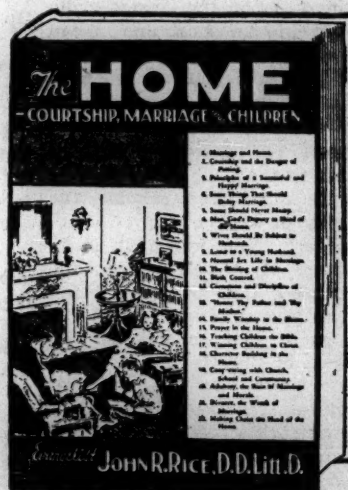
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Should It Be Illegal to Spank Children?

By EVANGELIST BILL RICE

I heard a news commentator say the other day that it should be illegal for parents to spank children. The commentator was Garbriel Heatter and I heard him on my car radio. Although I have heard him on the radio at various and sundry times, I did not dream he could be so asinine.

The reasons he propounded for prohibiting the punishment of children were both stupid and vicious. He said many children were backward and suffered from an inferiority complex because of parental chastening. He said that punishment tended to make children sullen and vengeful and that doubtless many children grew up to become criminals because parents—who were little better than cowardly bullies—had spanked them for wrongdoing during their childhood. Moreover, I got the impression he felt a spanking never did any good; never served any constructive purpose.

Since this man has gained some prominence in the radio world it hardly seems possible he could have been so wrong on this vital matter. And it seems a tragedy that he should be allowed to spout his ignorance over a national radio hookup.

In the first place, his teaching is in direct contradiction to the plain teaching of the Bible. Time and time again the Word of God clearly teaches that children should be physically punished for wrongdoing. And the Bible also plainly teaches that such punishment will have the desired effect; that is, will make the child morally better.

Furthermore, chastening will usually help a child acknowledge to himself that he is a sinner, that the punishment is justified, and make him seek forgiveness rather than making him feel he is abused and ought to "get even."

And certainly many, many men and women can testify today that their father's good right arm and a razor strap turned them from paths of wickedness that would have led to a life of crime.

Then, too, it is a mistake to feel that disciplined children are unhappy. The exact opposite is true. A spoiled child is never happy but always wanting atten-

tion and toys that are neither necessary or proper. The better behaved a child is, the more likely he is to be content with his home and playthings and to cherish and honor his father and mother.

I am the father of four lovely children, two boys and two girls. They range in age from four to eleven. Both Mrs. Rice and I dedicated them to God before their birth and promised the Lord we would try to raise them for Him. We have taken time to love our kiddies, play with them, pray with them, and, when needed, spank them. I believe anyone who has ever visited in my home, and the thousands of people who have met my family in revival campaigns, will agree with me that you have never heard of better behaved or happier children in your life. And every one of them, without any pressure on our part, has received the Lord Jesus as their Saviour.

And never, never let anyone make you forget this—it is a great deal easier to lead a disciplined child to Christ than it is to win a spoiled brat!

I believe all parents realize that this is a serious problem that must be faced. For help on this matter I suggest that you get the book on **THE HOME—Courtship, Marriage and Children** by my brother, Dr. John R. Rice. There are several exhaustive chapters in this book on the relationship of parents and children, with many Scripture references and much hard common sense. This is the best work on this subject in print today and you ought to have it where you can refer to it again and again. The price is only \$2.50.

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STARTLING BOOZE FACTS

By R. P. BAILEY

Can we have a government "of the people, by the people, for the people" while we license 446,528 liquor-selling places?

Rev. G. W. Rideout, Prohibition candidate for U. S. Senator from New Jersey, made the following statement: "America has been quite proud of the Mayflower and the Pilgrims and Puritans. Good blood was in that stock. But Americans have been getting away from the teachings, principles, and Bible of their forefathers and at the present time 'the mountain stream ends in mud'; the land seems to be handed over to the world, the flesh, and the devil. The liquor people tell us about the money that comes to the United States Government through liquor taxes. This is one of the great delusions. Samuel Johnson uttered a strong truth in the following: 'To support government by propagating vice is to support it by means which destroy the end for which it was originally established, and for which its continuance is to be desired. If the expenses of the government cannot be defrayed but by corrupting the morals of the people, I shall, without scruples, declare that money ought not be raised nor the designs of the government supported.'"

In New Jersey there are 11,403 bars and drinking places open seven days a week; 2,698 public schools are open five days a week; 3,716 churches are open one or more days a week. Ratio would be 79,821 for drink, 13,490 for education; 3,716 for religion!

O. B. Grimley, writing in the June, 1948, issue of "Sons of Norway," says: "Liquor is flowing freely in Norway while food items are extremely scarce. Potato flour is simply not to be had but our liquor distilleries have received large quantities of potatoes for

the manufacture of Norwegian alcohol."

Beverage alcohol is a direct cause of several serious mental diseases. From a study of over 56,000 patients in Massachusetts, Dr. Neil Dayton of Boston reported that chronic alcoholism was a prominent cause of one-fifth of all admissions to mental hospitals in that state.

In a two-week survey of night clubs throughout the Ohio Valley, including the states of both West Virginia and Ohio, it was noted that both boys and girls below the ages of 18 were being served not only beer but mixed drinks as well. In most instances the young night-clubbers are not in the company of responsible adults but wend their way from one drinking establishment to another, until the small hours of the morning. Several recent court cases in Belmont County Court records will bear out this situation and in each instance the establishment was given a fine.

Beer is flooding the London market, an official of the Brewers' Society has said. Demand is down and public keepers are refusing to take quotas. The brewing official said the only remedy is to obtain larger supplies of barley and sugar to brew beer with more kick.

Spending habits of Americans sometimes take an odd quirk when compiled in cold statistics. The Commerce Department uncovers the fact that last year Americans spent \$14,000,000,000 on rents and over \$9,000,000,000 on alcoholic beverages.

"The merchandising of liquor is the biggest financial racket in America," says Dr. Francis Shunk Downs. "Local, State and National surveys prove beyond a doubt that licensing liquor is 'all profit to the traffickers and all

Bob. Jones U. to Offer Seminary Degree

In answer to considerable demand by its own alumni and others, the School of Religion of Bob Jones University will, beginning with the fall term of 1949, offer the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. In making this announcement, Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., president of the university, said:

"We have almost one thousand young ministers enrolled on the graduate and undergraduate levels in Bob Jones University. Many of these students come from denominations and independent groups which do not have their own theological seminaries, and these young men wish to continue their studies in Bob Jones University. In order to offer to them and to others who desire it the opportunity of securing standard theological training in the atmosphere of this institution, the School of Religion has increased its curriculum on the graduate level to offer the regular semin-

ary degree in addition to the degrees now offered, which include the Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees.

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The Editor's Notes

Bob Jones' Revival Sermons is a beautiful book of 186 pages, containing nine sermons preached by Dr. Jones in the Chicago city-wide campaign in the Chicago Arena, May, 1946. They are wonderful sermons. The jacket and the endpapers picture the great crowd at the Arena. These are moving and blessed sermons—Dr. Bob Jones at his best. His other books of chapel talks and comments here and there are good, but do not compare, in our judgment, with his remarkable revival sermons, the fruit of fifty years as an evangelist. By all means get this book. The price is \$2.00 at your book store or from **Sword of the Lord Publishers**.

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"The moderate drinker is always a candidate for alcoholism," declared Dr. Joy Elmer Morgan, recently. "Not one of the 750,000 drunkards in our country, many of them men and women of the greatest possibility and promise, started out with the intention of becoming a drunkard. Not one of the 3,000,000 men and women who have come to drink to such excess that their alcohol slavery is a constant menace to their lives and careers started out with the thought of becoming an excessive drinker."

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WITH THE Evangelists

By the Editor

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His children. Many who were cold in the Lord and others who were walking afar off got things right with God. There were eight souls who made profession of salvation, three of which were baptized and received into our membership. The others were from other churches of other communities. I am happy to report the three who were added to this church have radiant testimonies for Christ and are growing by leaps and bounds in the grace and knowledge of our Saviour.

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"Nearly all of us went through concentration camps and prisons from which we came back with bodily injuries. This is why we beg you brothers and sisters in America to help us build again, for the poverty and deprivations of the war years sapped most of our strength. Anxiety for the daily needs takes most of my time, and if I were not so burdened with food worries I could much better attend to the mission work."

DISTRESS OF HEBREW CHRISTIANS IN GERMANY

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The Value of a Soul and The Danger of Losing It

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the antitoxin and no railroads and no automobile roads. In less than two hours we had the antitoxin in the body of that little child. We had two dead horses and nearly two dead men that brought that antitoxin." Then he hugged her to his bosom and said, "Thank God, she lives!" And I said to him, "Brother John, how much would you have given for the body of your grandchild?" He said, "Wife, we would have given every acre of land?" "Yes." "Every cow?" "Yes." "And our railroad stock?" "Yes." "And our government bonds?" "Yes." He said, "We would have given it all for the body of this little child of ours. We would have given it all and started out again in life like we started thirty-eight years ago." I put my hand on the shoulder of the greatest preacher that lives today and said, "Brother George, if you and I valued souls like that, we would turn this world upside down." The trouble with us today is that we have put so little value on the souls of men. The trouble with you tonight is that you think more of gold and more of pleasure and more of honor and more of most anything else, than you do of your soul—your soul that will never die. Jesus says if you gain the whole world and lose your soul, in the gaining what will it profit you?"

The Soul's Salvation Up to the Individual

Jesus here intimates that the saving of the soul is up to the individual. It is. What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and in the gaining of it lose his own soul? What shall he give in exchange for his soul? The saving of the soul is up to the individual. I bless God that I believe in, though I do not understand it, the old doctrine of predestination. I believe in it; I accept it, though I do not understand it. I believe in God's pre-empting love and power. And I tell you, my friends, I believe that there is nothing in that doctrine that keeps a single lost soul in this world from coming to Jesus Christ now. You may talk about God's power to save; and yet it is clearly laid down in the Word of God that a man must repent and believe for himself; and He has said that He will in no wise cast out anybody who comes to Him; and He said, "Whoever will may come." Tonight God says that it is up to you to be saved.

I looked this afternoon in the face of what I believe was a brave man. He, as a prisoner in jail, has the blood of his fellow on his hands. I looked into his face and I said, "I believe deep down in my soul that if you will give up your sins in your heart and trust the Lord Jesus Christ with your eternal spirit, that He will save you from Hell by His power. Jesus Christ hangs the destiny of this world on two places. He hangs it on the two arms of the Cross, and in the second place, He hangs it on the will of man. He will not force you or compel you. If you reject Him, He will send you to Hell. But, thank God, He will give you His divine Spirit to help you to make the right choice. He sends His churches and His preachers and His songs and the Spirit of God to show you what is right and to give you courage to decide right.

Going to a Place Where They Cannot Enjoy Their Gain

There is another thing that this Scripture here suggests—that men spending their all to gain the world and losing their souls, are going to a place where they cannot enjoy their gain. My friends, you are not going to take anything out with you when you go. There are no pockets in the shroud, no safes in the coffin; there is no place for you to hold on to your gold.

I was on Wall Street in the city of New York some years ago. I noticed a crowd congesting down that little street. As I stood there at the end of Wall Street where

it runs into Broadway, I saw fifty or a hundred policemen driving the crowds back at the end of their clubs. In a little while it came out that the president of one of those banks had been shot down in cold-blooded murder. In a little while an extra came out and said Banker So an So was assassinated. They said he was there in his office and was, in cold blood, shot down. They said nothing was gone. The silver was there, the paper money was there. There was nothing gone except

the soul of the banker. He went out and took no gold with him, no silver, no bonds. Just his naked soul went out to meet God. That is the way it is going to be with your soul. I do not care how much royalty you have, nor how much bank stock you possess; you are going to a place, my friend, where you won't take anything with you, nothing but your soul. Oh, tonight that you may know that you are spending your life for the gaining of things, and you are going to a place where you cannot enjoy your gain. What are you going to do about it? Some sad day you and I will meet at the judgment bar of God.

Oh, how my heart went out this afternoon as I talked to those

prisoners. Everyone of them but one said, "I have somebody who loves me." One of them said, "I have not a friend on earth. My mother died before I can remember. I have nobody whom I know to love me." It is going to be like that at the judgment bar of God when you and I come. If you are without Christ you will have no friends there, nobody, that can help you. You had better see that your soul is saved now and get in with Jesus Christ and have the Father's friendship and the Spirit's power on your side at the judgment.

I am not talking about taking care of your body, or your mind; but I am talking about your spirit, that that shall never die—your soul. God help you tonight to

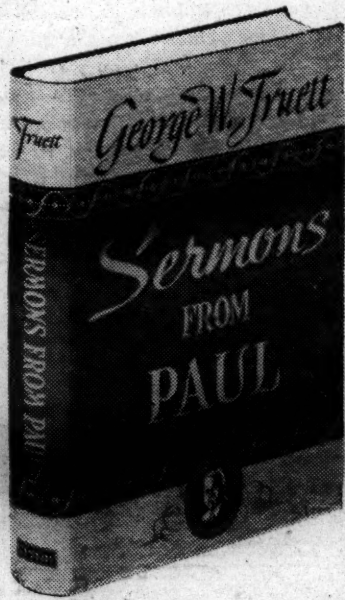
see after your soul. I believe from this town (and I am tremendously charmed by your citizenship)—I believe from this town I could organize an army to do almost anything that is right. If the word were to come that a child was lost, in less than fifteen minutes those cars would be started out for the search. But oh, my friends, tonight there are scores and scores of men and women in this tabernacle, whose souls are lost. I beg you in Christ's name to take care of your soul.

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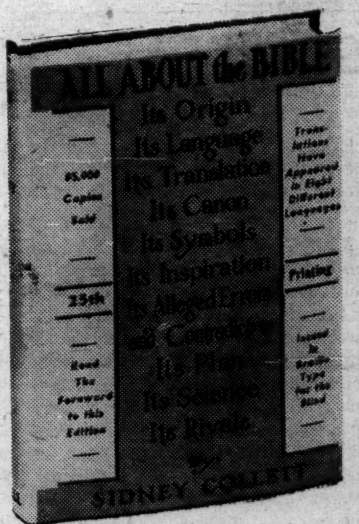
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